

STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.FORECAST OF VINTAGE, 1928.11,604,000 (16,159,595) Gallons, 28% decrease.

The Government Statist intimates having obtained preliminary returns of the present vintage from a number of the leading vigneronS in the State who represent about 70% of the total production, and from this source he forecasts that the vintage for 1927-28 will approximate 11,604,000 Gallons of Wine for Beverage and Distillation, in comparison with 16,159,595 Gallons for the previous year, a decrease of 4,556,000 Gallons, or 28%.

The River Murray Districts are estimated to yield 3,627,000 (5,956,306) Gallons, a decrease of 2,329,000 Gallons, or 39%.

Last year 9,350,588 Gallons of the 16,159,595 Gallons of Wine made were for Distillation, the quantity for this year not yet being known.

5 YEARS' WINE STATISTICS.

Year	Wine Made	Wine for Distilla- tion.	Wine Exported	
			Oversea	Interstate.
1922-23	GALLS. 8,653,579	GALLS. 4,204,984	GALLS. 586,880	GALLS. 1,689,378
1923-24	10,756,538	5,941,483	753,495	1,701,062
1924-25	10,502,381	5,651,704	591,134	2,231,784
1925-26	13,074,874	7,171,276	1,200,313	2,523,434
1926-27	16,159,595	9,350,588	2,265,755	2,596,701
5 Years' Mean	11,829,393	6,464,007	1,079,515	2,148,472
Estimated 1927-28.	11,604,000	Not yet available	X 3,799,382	Not yet available.

X 11 months.

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